Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 15 Jul 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 16 Jul 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 14 Jul 2021 at 14:00 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a moist westerly airflow continuing for the next few days bringing low cloud at times, breaking up in the east. Low confidence for extent of these cloud breaks on a daily basis.

Headline for Thursday 15 Jul 2021: Dull start, then mainly dry, bright and warm. Low cloud returning by evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 15 Jul 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG	FOG						FOG
Fog	Fog	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny intervals	Fog
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 15 Jul 2021

Weather: Low cloud breaking up by mid-morning to leave much of the day dry with some good spells of sunshine, a little patchy low cloud across the west coast and Skye. Low cloud with a little rain or drizzle is expected to return to western Skye from late afternoon, these extending inland to most other ranges as the evening progresses.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%.

Visibility: Poor in areas of low cloud down to 550 metres at first, this clearing through the morning. Low cloud down to 400 to 700 metres returning from the west from late afternoon onwards. Otherwise many ranges will have very good visibility for much of the day with summits clear for the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	21/28 W	17/22 W	14/19 W	10/15 W	12/18 SW	13/20 SW	15/22 SW	17/23 SW	18/26 SW
900	21/28 W	16/21 W	13/18 W	9/15 W	11/17 SW	13/20 SW	14/22 SW	15/21 SW	17/24 SW
600	16/22 W	12/17 W	11/16 W	9/14 W	10/17 SW	12/19 SW	13/20 SW	12/18 SW	12/19 SW
300	8/24 W	4/18 W	3/15 W	2/11 W	4/14 SW	7/17 SW	7/18 SW	4/16 SW	4/18 SW
Glen	9/16 W	6/12 W	4/9 W	4/10 SW	5/12 W	9/15 W	8/15 SW	6/13 SW	7/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	6/2	5/1	5/1	7/4	10/8	12/9	10/7	9/6	8/5
900	7/3	6/2	6/2	8/6	11/9	12/10	11/8	10/7	9/6
600	9/6	8/5	8/5	10/8	13/11	14/12	13/11	12/10	11/9
300	11/10	10/10	11/10	13/13	16/16	18/17	16/15	13/13	13/12
Glen	14/12	13/12	13/13	15/14	18/17	19/18	17/16	15/15	15/14
Freezing Level*	2500m	2600m	3200m	3200m	3100m	2900m	3000m	2800m	3000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for sunburn and dehydration on long hikes. Becoming very warm under sunny skies.

Forecast for Friday 16 Jul 2021

Weather: Low confidence for detail. A fair amount of low cloud expected with a little light drizzle along the west coast. However some cloud breaks are likely, these mainly around the northern end of the Great Glen and ranges adjacent to the Moray coast. Windy at height.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly gusts to 25 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%

Visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud down to 400 metres across the west of the region. Low cloud more broken and prone to clearing inland across the east of the region.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12, rising to 15 Celsius where it remains damp, but a warm 22 Celsius in sunshine.
At 800m: Plus 12 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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